GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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POSEIDON AIRCRAFT FOR NAVY
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had contracted for eight Poseidon 81 aircraft to protect India's long range maritime snooping and strengthen anti-submarine warfare capabilities of the Navy;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the country has already received some quantity of the said aircraft;and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) A Contract has been concluded in January, 2009 for procurement of eight (08) P-8I LRMRASW Aircraft along with associated spares, System support and training.

(c) & (d) Yes, Madam. First P-8I aircraft has been delivered to Indian Navy in May, 2013.